

M/R: Re. BRUECKNER Trip to the USA. (About 30 May 1956)

On 23 May 1956 on receipt of BONN 4149 (IN 21559) [ ] contacted the following persons:

[ ] (A-222 Bldg. T-5), Office of Security and Member of MIC (Military Intelligence Committee ?). [ ] read the cable and stated that the MIC meeting for 23 May had been postponed a week so that he would not be able to inform the MIC as a unit of KUBARK interest in BRUECKNER. However, [ ] said he would go over to the State Department in the afternoon to inform them of our desire to take over the briefing portions of Brueckner's stay in the USA. However, he said the MIC people had indicated a desire to meet with BRUECKNER at a cocktail party and that conversation held with [ ] indicated that we could set up a party to satisfy MIC desires in this matter.

[ ] also mentioned that he was going to Germany in July as a member of a group to study the German Police system and its capabilities to set up a mechanism for security checks, and he [ ] was wondering what kind of cover he probably should have. He said he believed this was an EE policy matter as well as a covert cover matter. I suggested that he discuss this with covert cover and that they would be able to advise him of steps to take if he was not to use KUBARK as an affiliation.

I told [ ] would keep in touch with him so that we could determine what role State may still want to play in BRUECKNER's trip, if any at all.

[ ], CI Staff. When [ ] saw the cable BONN 4149 he said that he was opposed to BRUECKNER staying with a staff member (i.e. [ ]). This arrangement he said was insecure since too many people (and possibly some ops) might be blown through meetings at the [ ] home.

[ ] further doubted that the briefings which [ ] indicated in the cable as being desired by BRUECKNER, could be arranged since they bordered on operational detail which the FBI would be reluctant to divulge. He did say that he thought the Attorney General's office might be able to give a pertinent briefing (or briefings) since they are directly concerned with cases and activities of great interest to BRUECKNER. [ ] said he would check the Attorney General's office to see what assistance might be given us. He also said he would check with Tony Flynn to determine what might be expected from the FBI. He suggested that we answer the cable on Friday 25 May.

[ ], now in NEA, but formerly an escort officer for BRUECKNER in October-November 1954 when BRUECKNER last visited the states. When asked about his correspondence with BRUECKNER, [ ] said that he had received a letter from BRUECKNER about ten days ago in which BRUECKNER said that he was coming to the states for a course, and asked [ ] if he might take him up on the invitation to stay at the [ ] which was extended when BRUECKNER was in the states in 1954. [ ] said he had intended to bring the letter to EE, but that he was a little slow in getting it up to EE although he assumed that EE already knew of BRUECKNER's imminent arrival. [ ] said that he did not correspond

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with BRUECKNER although he did receive a Christmas from him. [ ] further said that he has no desire to get into any operational entanglements BRUECKNER, but that since B. had indicated a desire to stay with the [ ] it seemed that there was little that could be done to discourage him from staying where he desire [ ] said he would bring the B. letter to work with him on 24 May.